

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Matanuska-Susitna Borough****Project Title:****Matanuska-Susitna Borough - Ambulance Replacement****State Funding Requested: \$ 145,000****House District: 15 - H**

Future Funding May Be Requested

**Brief Project Description:**

Purchase an Ambulance for Emergency Medical Services Division

**Funding Plan:****Total Cost of Project: \$425,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Local Funds			\$36,250	fy09		
Total			\$36,250			

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The request from the Mat-Su Borough is to purchase three new ambulance vehicles. Two of the ambulance vehicles would be used in District 15, one in the Pt. MacKenzie area, due to the future needs from the new prison, the Knik Ferry, and the Port MacKenzie industries. The other district area is the Big Lake/Meadow Lakes community. These are two of the fastest growing areas in Alaska.

This project is to purchase one new ambulance this year for the Big Lake/Meadow Lakes area, which is along the primary corridor for transportation to other parts of the State, as well as, serving as a playground for other Alaskans to enjoy outdoor experiences. With the current growth and anticipated increased activity in the Big Lake area, the vehicle will benefit the region with improved level of emergency medical services for this corridor.

**Project Timeline:**

FY09-FY10

**Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:**

Matanuska-Susitna Borough Director of Emergency Services

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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## Total Project Snapshot Report

FY 2009 Capital Budget

TPS Report 49750

Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? ☒ Yes ☐ No



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### **CY2008 Capital Project Description**

#### **Ambulance Replacement**

1. **Project Name:** Ambulance Replacement
2. **Project Location and House District:** Matanuska-Susitna Borough;  
House District 15H
3. **Description of Project:** This project is to purchase three new ambulance vehicles for the Matanuska-Susitna Borough's emergency medical services (EMS) Division. One ambulance vehicle would replace an aging 1997 ambulance vehicle located in our Palmer service area. The other two vehicles would augment the current fleet of 20 ambulance vehicles throughout the Borough; one being placed in the Big Lake and Meadows Lakes area to provide additional service to that rapidly growing area, and the other ambulance vehicle for the Knik Goose Bay (KGB) and Point Mackenzie areas to provide additional service to this growing area.
4. **Describe the regional benefits of the project, if any.** The Matanuska-Susitna Borough continues to be the fastest growing area in Alaska, and remains the primary corridor for transportation to other parts of the State as well as serving as a playground for other Alaskans to enjoy the ideal Alaskan outdoor experiences such as snow machining, 4-wheeling, fishing, hunting, hiking, and camping. Providing reliable, quality emergency medical services to our Borough residents, as well as the many visitors and tourists, is a great benefit to the region. In addition to responding to motor vehicle accidents on the Glenn Highway throughout the year, the new Palmer ambulance will serve the Alaska State Fair and the many visitors who may be ill or injured during the Fair. The Big Lake/Meadow Lakes ambulance vehicle will respond to residents and visitors alike on the Parks Highway and in the recreational areas throughout the area. With the current growth, and the anticipated increased activity with a new prison facility, Port Mackenzie Ferry, and railroad extension, the KGB/Port Mackenzie vehicle will benefit the region with improved level of emergency medical services to all that travel this corridor.
5. **Describe the public health and safety aspects of the project, if any.** This project will have a major impact on health and safety. This project will provide additional coverage, reduced response times, and improve the overall provision of emergency medical services to residents as well as those people visiting the Matanuska-Susitna Borough.
6. **Amount of Funding Request:** \$425,000.
7. **Total funding to complete the project:** \$425,000.

8. **Number of years to complete the project; start and end dates:** July 2008 through June 30, 2009.
9. **Matching funds available/sources:** There are limited matching funds available for this project, but the Borough could match 25% of this project utilizing Areawide tax funding.
10. **If the project received prior state appropriations, list the amount and the year of the appropriation:** This project has not received any prior year funding.
11. **Are funds for the project included in the Governor's proposed FY2009 budget? If so, where?** No.
12. **Are federal funds being sought, either through competitive grants or earmarks?** No.
13. **Has the project gone through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority demonstrated by resolution or other official action by the governing body?** Not at this time. The placement of these vehicles is part of the Department of Emergency Services overall system status management plan to ensure adequate coverage to the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. The Borough Assembly member representing the KGB area (Cindy Bettine) has requested additional ambulance availability in her rapidly growing area along the Knik Goose bay road.
14. **If funding is made available for the project this year, who will be responsible for providing the ongoing maintenance and operations costs?** The Matanuska-Susitna Borough Director of Emergency Services is ultimately responsible for the maintenance and operations cost for this, and all ambulance service areas within the Borough.
15. **Project contact information – name, address, e-mail, phone number:**

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